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GLENDALE MAN INDICTED FOR BANK FRAUD AND DEBIT CARD FRAUD CONSPIRACY

SACRAMENTO-- United States Attorney McGregor W. Scott announced today that a federal grand jury returned an eight-count indictment charging PARKEV KRMOIAN, 44, of Glendale, California, with scheming and conspiring with at least one other person to use ATM cards skimmed from Dollar Tree stores in the Central Valley and Oregon. Authorities also released the photograph of another individual and requested that any member of the public who can identify that person contact the United States Secret Service at (916) 930-2130.* The unknown person in the attached picture may be found driving a light-colored, late-model Honda minivan.

This case is the product of an extensive investigation by the United States Secret Service, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Glendale Police Department, and Modesto Police Department, who have been aided by investigators working for financial institutions and the Dollar Tree.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Matthew D. Segal, who is prosecuting the case, the indictment alleges that PARKEV KRMOIAN, and at least one other person, skimmed ATM card data from Dollar Tree stores and subsequently used that data to withdraw funds from the associated bank accounts. Over \$1 million have been lost to unauthorized transactions and the investigation is ongoing.

The maximum statutory penalty for a violation of bank fraud is 30 years' imprisonment and a \$1 million fine, and the maximum statutory penalty for conspiracy is 5 years' imprisonment and a \$250,000 fine. A conviction for either offense can also result in a fine equal to twice the gain or twice the loss from the offense, whichever is great. However, the actual sentence will be dictated by the Federal Sentencing Guidelines, which take into account a number of factors, and will be imposed at the discretion of the court.

The charges are only allegations and the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

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^{*}Note: Photograph of suspect attached.

